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913 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. Feb. 26, 1937.

My dear Mrs. Cooper:

I was very glad to receive your letter yesterday in acknowledgment of my last message to the race which I sent you, and to know that you were to discuss the contents of it with the members of your School of Religion. The subject is one of very great importance both to the individual and the race.

I was particularly pleased with your strong words of disapproval of the sentiments expressed by a professor of ~~the~~ The Southern Negro Conference in Richmond. It seems almost incredible that such sentiments should be entertained by any professor in any Negro institution. Such a man is utterly unfit to guide the young or to occupy a position in any reputable school of learning among us. Only last night I listened to a talk over the radio by superintendent Glenn in which he said, "Knowledge is not enough. Character must go along with it; and character is no side issue, but a matter of prime importance."

I read over your Lincoln-Douglas Day programme, and heartily approve of your slogan: "What you say is true: Not promotions and profits the ultimate test of that knowledge which is power and of any ~~WHHHH~~ education that promises to be worth what it costs." ^{"I impress upon the hearts and minds of the young"} Also serve rightly, intelligently and efficiently is worth ~~the~~ sacrifice it may involve. It greatly rejoices my heart to read your ringing words in placing the emphasis where you do in the great work ^{at} the kind of education that

we need most of all in the great upward struggle we are making as a race.

I have been wanting ever since Christmas to send you a line thanking you for the little volume of addresses, entitled The Face of Christ by Bishop Stewart of Chicago. I read them with great delight. They are most helpful and inspiring. I should have written before, but for about two months I have been on the sick list, unable even to go to church or do but very very little of anything. I am in the hands of the dentist. Several teeth have already been extracted, and there are others to follow. It is a long, tedious and painful ordeal.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am as ever,

Your sincere friend,

Wm. L. Garrison

P.S.

If you need a few copies of my message for members of the school of religion I shall be glad to send them to you.

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